RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE

Public Lands Section

Capitol Board Room - Room 240

September 9, 2008 - 9:00 am

Minutes

Members Present:

ZAREKARIZI, Susan – State Parks
BAILEY, Carmen – DWR
GRIERSON, DAVE – DFFSL
DANIELS, Ron – GOED
CLARK, Robert - DEQ/DAQ
SCHLOTTHAUER, Bill - Water Rights
MENATTI, John – DERR
HENDERSON, Dottie – Science Advisor
STONELY, Todd - Div. Water Resources
HARTY, Kim – UGS
KILPATRICK, Kevin - UDOT
WILCOX, RICK – SITLA
WHITE, Susan - DOGM
BOHN, Ralph – DSHW

Others Present:

JEMMING, Jonathan - PLPCO
WRIGHT, Carolyn - PLPCO
ELIOT, Shawn - Mountainland AOG
RIFFKIN, Matt - Consultant for MAG
TOWNSEND, Teresa - Consultant MAG
STEEDLY, Ann - Consultant for MAG
JACOBSON, Adam - Morrison Maierle
MILLS, Michael - JSRIP
MOWER, Mike - GOPB
JOHNSON, Terry - US Army COE
HARDY, Susan - Mountainland AOG
KELEHER, Chris - ADM/DNR

Susan Zarekarizi, Chair, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.m.

I. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the August 12, 2008 were approved by **Dave Grierson** and seconded by **Kimm Harty**. The motion passed unanimously.

II. Provo –to Nebo Transportation Corridor Study – Teresa Townsend

The Mountainland Metropolitan Planning Organization (MAG) has initiated a study to look at future transportation corridors in southern Utah County. The study was initiated in June 2008 and is anticipated to end in March 2009 information on this study can be found at: www.provotonebo.com

The Study will include the following key elements:

- Data collection of existing plans and studies
- Future years travel demand modeling
- Transportation corridor identification and preservation
- Public and agency involvement

Please see attached power point presentation for further information.

III. Reports from Agencies on Any Anticipated Projects

Susan Zarekarizi, State Parks, reviewed priority items from the RDCC Project Management Listing. Susan also mentioned the meeting in November falls on Veterans Day and asked the Committee members what date would be good for them. The Committee agreed on **November 18th,** the meeting will be held at **DNR** in room **1060.**

Jonathan Jemming, PLPCO, mentioned he has been sending out e-mails on the RMP's deadline along with the link. Comments are due 2 weeks after the CD has been received.

Dave Grierson, DFFSL, reported the Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands has awarded over \$200,000 in grants to four research teams for research related to Great Salt Lake. The Division received over \$1.1 million in project submissions with requests of \$842,000 in grant money from the Division. Awarded projects include work on mercury research, bird habitat and use of dikes, and habitat quality indicators. The projects were screened and ranked by the Grants and Research Subcommittee of the Great Salt Lake Tech Team.

A request for expedited review for a phragmites control project on the beaches of southwestern Bear Lake was reviewed. Phragmites is an invasive weed that grows in very dense stands that tends to take over wetlands. The Division is using Rodeo which is registered for phragmites in wet areas. The Division is seeking expedited review because the window for effective treatment of this invasive is closing fast, and they don't want to wait another year for the weed to become more established. A Rich County Commissioner has been involved in the project.

Susan White, DOGM, reported there will be an informal conference on September 30 for the proposed Kinney #2 Coal Mine. The conference will begin at 9:00 at the DNR Price Field Office. In conjunction with the conference is a site visit near Scofield, Utah.

Bill Schlotthauer, Division of Water Rights, reported the State Engineer is holding a public hearing to discuss and take comments on proposed administrative rule R655-16 entitled Administrative Procedures for Defining Beneficial Uses of Supplemental Water Rights. The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at 10:30 AM in Room 1060 in the Department of Natural Resources Building.

Kevin Kilpatrick, **UDOT**, reported the following on new updated projects:

- The SR-92 Draft EA is available for public and agency comment.
- The SR-108 Final EIS is still out for public and agency comment.
- The Mountain View Corridor Final EIS was signed last week and will be available for public and agency comment in September (likely in the next 2 weeks).

- The Utah Valley Connector has selected a consultant, and anticipates a Notice to Proceed in October 2008.
- The Legacy Parkway official opening is this Saturday, September 13, 2008.

Bob Clark, DEQ/AQ, reported on September 3, 2008 the Air Quality Board approved expansion of Stage I vapor recovery technology to all counties of the state. Stage I vapor recovery involves refitting underground storage tanks (USTs) to allow vapors that are displaced from the USTs during the refilling process to be recaptured by the delivery vehicle and returned to the refinery or loading rack for reprocessing.

Previous to this action, Stage I vapor recovery had only been required in the four urban counties along the Wasatch Front. These vapors are a major source of volatile organic compounds (VOC) which is a precursor to the formation of ozone.

Ron Daniels, Office of Energy Advisor, GOED, reported the Energy Advisor's Office is working on two new items at this time. One is the Utah Renewable Energy Zones (UREZ) Task Force, where the object is to identify transmission zones which will help define potentially productive areas where renewable energy resources may be developed. The other is the work with DEQ to help form rules to address authority granted under SB 202, Carbon Capture and Geologic Sequestration (CCGS). DEQ through its Air and Water Quality Divisions and in cooperation with DOGM, and UGS, will start the rules formation process for an interim progress report by July 2009 to the Public Utilities and Technology Interim Committee of the Legislature.

Jonathan Jemminig, PLPCO, mentioned there will be more FERC pump storage projects coming out soon.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:03 am, the next meeting will be held **October 14, 2008** at the **State Capitol, room 210**.